Broward County



Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

<u>Director's Name:</u> Andrew J. Meyers <u>Department:</u> County Attorney

Information

Requested Action

<u>MOTION TO ADOPT</u> Resolution Amending the Broward County Administrative Code, the title of which is as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO HOLIDAYS; AMENDING SECTION 14.227 OF THE BROWARD COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ("ADMINISTRATIVE CODE"); DESIGNATING JUNE 19 ("JUNETEENTH") AS AN OFFICIAL PAID HOLIDAY FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Sponsored by Commissioner Jared E. Moskowitz)

Why Action is Necessary

A Resolution directing the County Administrator to publish notice of public hearing to consider adoption of the Resolution Amending the Broward County Administrative Code will be considered by the Board of County Commissioners at its meeting of August 25, 2022.

What Action Accomplishes

Allows for the Board's consideration of the Resolution Amending the Broward County Administrative Code.

Is this Action Goal Related

No

Previous Action Taken

Summary Explanation/Background

On January 1, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, announcing that slaves shall be "forever free." Over two years later, on June 19, 1865, General Gordon Granger of the Union Army issued General Order No. 3, formally informing enslaved African Americans in Galveston, Texas, of their freedom and that the Civil War had ended. June 19, also known as Juneteenth, commemorates this event and celebrates the end of slavery in the United States. It is an opportunity for all Americans to celebrate freedom and equal rights.

The federal government and several states and municipalities, including New York, Virginia, New

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Jersey, New York City, Massachusetts, and Portland, have recognized Juneteenth as a paid day of leave for their employees. Additionally, Miami-Dade County, Palm Beach County, and local municipalities, such as Tamarac, Hallandale Beach, Miramar, and Pembroke Pines, have recognized and designated Juneteenth as a paid holiday.

The proposed amendment to the Administrative Code would designate June 19 as an additional paid holiday for full-time and part-time County employees.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

A February 20, 2021, Fiscal Analysis by the Office of Management and Budget estimates additional annual cost of \$130,000 for holiday pay for the continuation of essential services (e.g., airport, port, transit) on the holiday.